

METAL
MUSEUM

calendar

DECEMBER 2025 – JUNE 2026



SATURDAY, MAY 16, 2026 | 11AM – 4PM

Community Day

Join us for a day of free admission and fun to learn all about metalworking processes! Create & Take Activities, Iron Pour Demonstrations and more!

all the things

AT THE METAL MUSEUM

December

- 6 **FREE:** Museum Store Holiday Sip + Shop | 11AM – 4PM
- 6 – 7 Blacksmithing II: A Chef's Knife | 9AM – 4PM
- 13 **FREE:** Artist Market | 11AM – 4PM
Cast Pewter Ornaments | 11AM, 11:30AM, 1PM, 1:30PM, 2PM, & 2:30PM
Enameled Ornaments | 11AM & 1:30PM
- 20 Make Your Own: Beaded Snowflake | 2:30 – 4:30PM
- 24 **CHRISTMAS EVE** | Museum Open from 11AM – 2PM
- 25 **CLOSED** for Christmas Day
- 31 **NEW YEAR'S EVE** | Museum Open from 11AM – 2PM

January

- 1 **CLOSED** for New Year's Day
- 10 Day of Tasters | 8:30AM, 10:30AM, 1PM, & 3PM
- 17 – 18 Blacksmithing I: Grill Utensils | 9AM – 4PM
- 24 Beginner Casting: Light Switch Plates | 8AM – 12PM
Beginner Casting: Bottle Openers | 1 – 5PM
- 31 Intro to MIG Welding: Windowsill Planter | 9AM – 4PM

February

- 7 Forged with Love: Eternal Copper Roses for Valentine's Day | 12 – 4PM
- 14 Molten Memories: Personalized Aluminum Picture Frames | 9AM – 4PM
Roses and Rosé: A Valentine's Day Copper Rose Workshop | 3 – 4:30PM
- 22 **FREE:** *What We Surround Ourselves With* Opening Reception | 3 – 5PM
- 28 – 03/01 Blacksmithing II: A Chef's Knife | 9AM – 4PM

March

- 7 Beginner Casting: Light Bird Feeders | 8AM – 12PM
Beginner Casting: Garden Markers | 1 – 5PM
- 14 – 15 Forging For All: Keychains | 9AM – 4PM

For full descriptions of all events listed, please visit metalmuseum.org

happening

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April

- 4 **FREE:** Metal Petals and Healing Roots | 11AM – 3PM
Metal Petals and Healing Roots: Copper Rose | 11:30AM & 1:30PM
Metal Petals and Healing Roots: Enameled Flower Pendant | 11:30AM & 1:30PM
- 11 MIG Welding I | 9AM & 1PM
- 18 Beginner Enameling | 9AM – 4PM
- 30 Whet Thursday* | 5 – 8PM
**Members Only. To attend this event, join and become a member today!*

May

- 9 **FREE:** Museum Store Sip + Shop with Mom | 11AM – 4PM
- 13 – 17 F.I.R.E. Conference
- 14 – 16 F.I.R.E. Pop-up Exhibition | 11AM – 5PM
- 16 **FREE:** F.I.R.E. Family Fun Day* | 11AM – 3PM
**Iron Pour timing will vary*
- 28 **FREE:** Whet Thursday | 5 – 8PM

June

- 13 Chain Mail Bracelet and Earrings with Brandy Boyd | 9AM – 4PM
- 25 **FREE:** Whet Thursday | 5 – 8PM

F.I.R.E

foundry invitational
+ river exhibition

MAY 13 – 17

Casting artists come together at the F.I.R.E. Conference to learn more about mold making and share their skills through special workshops with guest demonstrators and an iron pour.

Reserve your spot at
metalmuseum.org/fire

exhibitions

MASTER METALSMITH

James Viste

Let Me Tell You a Story

THROUGH FEB. 1, 2026

The Metal Museum is honored to recognize James Viste as the 39th Master Metalsmith. Inspired by an oft-used phrase from his teaching, Viste's exhibition sets out to tell the visitor his own story through rhythms in his artwork and his career. Viste's vibrant forms and patterns prove that innovation remains to be discovered in smithing techniques from the past, which he has explored throughout his lifetime. His sculptural vessels transcend mere function to become objects of art. The intricate relationship between the forge, metal, and Viste's unique patterns awaits a thoughtful audience.

James Viste, *Risque Backless Dolly*, 2014. Forged and fabricated steel. Image courtesy of Houston Cofield.

UPCOMING

What We Surround Ourselves With

FEB. 22, 2026 – OCT. 3, 2026

Featuring the private collection amassed by Jim Masterson over his 25 years as an artist / blacksmith at the Metal Museum, *What We Surround Ourselves With* is a love letter to the evolution of the craft and the work produced by the Museum's community. The exhibition showcases the range of materials, techniques, and styles that reflect the Metal Museum's growth in community and mission. An accumulation of work from contemporaries Masterson has met across his professional path embodies the fusion of technical excellence with creative expression. *What We Surround Ourselves With* serves as a testament to the transformative power of craftsmanship, skill, and artistry reflected in the objects Masterson has collected throughout his career.



TRIBUTARIES

Kat Cole

Meditations

THROUGH MAR. 8, 2026

Cole captures ephemeral gestures in glass and steel in this *Tributaries* exhibition of her latest enameled works. *Meditations* features large, organic oval-like forms that sing with color and embrace irregularity. The series takes inspiration from a hand put to paper, an oval gesture, and lines intersecting and overlapping through meditative drawing. In Cole's words, volume is added with *"the persuasion of the swinging hammer, rhythmic and meditative."* And in the depths of layered enamels, shimmering and translucent, Cole urges a viewer to find *"puddles of light and color that contrast with the dark roughness of blackened steel left bare."*



Kat Cole, *Bitter Green*, 2025. Steel, enamel, and magnets. Image courtesy of the Artist.

classes

DAY OF TASTERS

SATURDAY, JAN. 10 | 8:30AM, 10:30AM, 1PM, 3PM

\$50 per session | Beginner | Ages 15+

Tasters are 90-minute workshops designed to give participants an introduction to blacksmithing, welding, casting, and enameling.

Blacksmithing

Create a small functional item during this workshop and demonstration.

Welding

Weld together a sculpture using small steel shapes.

Casting

Cast a personalized name plaque that can be made into a badge, keychain, or magnet.

Enameling

Make an enameled pendant, ornament or a pair of earrings.

classes

For more details and to register for classes go to [metalsclasses.com](#)
Fire Starters members receive a 10% discount off class fee

CASTING

Casting is the process of heating metal in a furnace until it melts, then pouring that metal into a pre-made mold that sets and hardens the metal.

Cast Pewter Ornaments

SATURDAY, DEC. 13
11AM, 11:30AM, 1PM, 1:30PM,
2PM, & 2:30PM
\$25 | beginner | 15+

DAY OF TASTERS:

Casting

SATURDAY, JAN. 10
8:30AM, 10:30AM, 1PM, & 3PM
\$50 | beginner | 15+

BEGINNER CASTING:

Light Switch Plates

SATURDAY, JAN. 24
8AM – 12PM
\$120 | beginner | 15+

BEGINNER CASTING:

Bottle Openers

SATURDAY, JAN. 24
1 – 5PM
\$240 | beginner | 15+

MOLTEN MEMORIES:

Personalized Aluminum Picture Frames

SATURDAY, FEB. 14
9AM – 4PM
\$240 | beginner | 15+

BEGINNER CASTING:

Bird Feeders

SATURDAY, MAR. 7
8AM – 12PM
\$120 | beginner | 15+

BEGINNER CASTING:

Garden Markers

SATURDAY, MAR. 7
1 – 5PM
\$120 | beginner | 15+

FINE METALS + JEWELRY

Fine Metals & Jewelry classes offer the opportunity to focus on specific projects while learning a variety of different metalworking techniques. These classes are a great fit for those interested in using metal to create small-scale or finer pieces.

Enameled Ornaments

SATURDAY, DEC. 13
11AM & 1:30PM
\$35 | beginner | 15+

DAY OF TASTERS:

Enameling

SATURDAY, JAN. 10
8:30AM, 10:30AM, 1PM, & 3PM
\$50 | beginner | 15+

ROSES AND ROSÉ:

A Valentine's Day Copper Rose Workshop

SATURDAY, FEB. 14
3 – 4:30PM
\$30 | beginner | 15+

METAL PETALS AND HEALING ROOTS:

Copper Rose

SATURDAY, APR. 4
11:30AM & 1:30PM
\$25 | beginner | 15+

METAL PETALS AND HEALING ROOTS:

Enameled Flower Pendant

SATURDAY, APR. 4
11:30AM & 1:30PM
\$35 | beginner | 15+

Beginner Enameling

SATURDAY, APR. 13
9AM – 4PM
\$240 | beginner | 15+

Chain Mail Bracelet and Earrings with Brandy Boyd

SATURDAY, JUN. 13
9AM – 4PM
\$240 | beginner | 15+

BLACKSMITHING

Blacksmithing is the process of heating steel in a forge and using a hammer and anvil to bend it into different shapes to create functional tools, architectural elements as well as decorative art pieces.

BLACKSMITHING II:

A Chef's Knife

SATURDAY + SUNDAY, DEC. 6 – 7

9AM – 4PM

\$450 | intermediate | 15+

A DAY OF TASTERS:

Blacksmithing

SATURDAY, JAN. 10

8:30AM, 10:30AM, 1PM, & 3PM

\$50 | beginner | 15+

FORGED WITH LOVE:

Eternal Copper Roses for Valentine's Day

SATURDAY, FEB. 7

12 – 4PM

\$150 | beginner | 15+

BLACKSMITHING II:

A Chef's Knife

SATURDAY + SUNDAY, FEB. 28 – MAR. 1

9AM – 4PM

\$450 | intermediate | 15+

FORGING FOR ALL:

Keychains

SATURDAY + SUNDAY, MAR. 14 – 15

9AM – 4PM

\$450 | beginner | 15+

WELDING

Welding is sometimes referred to as the “hot glue gun” of steel, joining two pieces of similar metals together through high heat.

DAY OF TASTERS:

Welding

SATURDAY, JAN. 10

8:30AM, 10:30AM, 1PM, & 3PM

\$50 | beginner | 15+

INTRO TO MIG WELDING:

Windowsill Planter

SATURDAY, JAN. 31

9AM – 4PM

\$240 | beginner | 15+

MIG Welding I

SATURDAY, APR. 11

9AM & 1PM

\$120 | beginner | 15+



Take advantage of all the benefits of membership, including discounts on classes and access to open studio. Scan the code to become a member today!



Follow the Metal Museum on social media to catch all of our events, programming, and announcements!

Open Studio

SELECT SUNDAYS

\$50 | intermediate | 15+

After taking one of our blacksmithing classes, continue to practice the skills you have learned. Fee includes one 5-gallon bucket of coal and use of a forge, anvil and hammer. Steel is available for purchase from the shop office. You must be a Museum Member to register. All Membership types qualify.

Return Service Requested

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11AM - 5PM

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